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MD DNR Artificial Reef Committee (ARC)
Webinar and Conference Call-Summary of Motions and Action Items
January 23, 2014, 5:00 P.M. - 6:15 P.M.

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ARC Members in Attendance: Chairman Monty Hawkins (OCRF), Ed Liccione (MARI Treasurer/CCA), Capt. Rick Younger (DNR/MGS), Dick Berich (MD Bass Nation/Bass Federation), Bill Huppert (MSSA), Rick Younger (DNR/MGS), Bob Conkwright (MGS), Norm McCullough (MD Hydronauts).

ARC Members not in Attendance: Vice-Chairman Dave Dansberger (Rec Fishing Community, Upper Bay), Gary Setzer (MDE), Richard Webster, Greg Madjeski, Curtis Johns, Mark Galasso, Darryl Del Pino, Tom Ireland , David Sutherland (USFWS), Kate Meade (MES), Capt. Karl Willey (CBF), Clint Waters (MSSA)

DNR-Fisheries Staff in Attendance: Erik Zlokovitz, Linda Barker

Motions:

- Motion to prepare final report on pilot volunteer angler logbook study and send to the participating anglers. All in favor, none opposed. Approved
- Motion to “repeat” the logbook study in 2014 (details TBD). All in favor, none opposed. Approved

Actions:

- All ARC members who participated in call will send a list of suggested PR methods to share the results of the 2013 study and solicit volunteers for the 2014 study to Erik Zlokovitz by Feb 1.
- Need to identify a person with PR experience and skills to supervise PR activities. One suggestion from the ARC was Candy Thompson, but staff noted that she is currently working for NRP. (Stay tuned for more details on a PR plan).

Summary of discussion items:

Linda Barker presented results on a MARI logbook study from September-October 2014. There was some discussion of a PR plan to describe results from the 2013 study and to advertise/recruit anglers for a similar study in 2014. As stated in the Action Items, ARC members will send a list of suggested PR methods to Erik Zlokovitz by Feb 1. DNR staff will be providing more information on a public relations plan.